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Contract No. 04-0120F4
04-SF-80-13.2 / 13.9
Self-Anchored Suspension Bridge
Letter No. 05.03.08-000008

Michael Flowers
Project Executive
American Bridge/Fluor, A JV
375 Burma Road
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Dear Michael Flowers,

Blast and Painting

Blast and painting has begun on component parts of the OBG, even though several issues required by the contract to be completed before starting this activity remain unresolved. These issues are:

1. The old paint facility has not yet been audited and approved for use by the Engineer. Although, ZPMC's new paint facility is scheduled for audit by the Department on November 28, 2008, a request for audit of the facility used for the work to date has not yet been received.
2. The paint applied to the component parts failed to meet the contract requirements for non-volatile content.
3. The applied blast profile neither meets the contract specifications nor the Contractor's submitted and approved procedure. ABF's paint reports supplied to the Department from October 12, 2008, to November 13, 2008, show that 1,459 of the 1,461 plates blasted failed to meet contract requirements, see two attached examples.

Although, ABF's paint reports indicate your fabricator is out of contract compliance, and the Department has issued two NCRs, ZPMC-0188 and ZPMC-0189, as a consequence, ABF has neither stopped the paint operations nor proposed a resolution. Therefore until the above issues are resolved, the Engineer considers all blast and paintwork rejected at this time.

If you have questions, please contact Jason Tom.

Sincerely,

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GARY PURSELL
Resident Engineer

Attachment: 03-001-F.S, 06-001-F.S

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